IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Gene Samson et al. Filed : February 22, 2002

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Examiner : Araj, Michael J.

Title : Mechanical Clot Treatment Device With Distal Filter

Docket No. : 1001.1763103

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Response is in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 14, 2007, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response ending February 14, 2008. Please consider the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.